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RE:

Historic Preservation Project Review (Section 106) - Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul,

and Pacific Railroad, Avery, Shoshone County, ID

Dear Ms. Pengilly:

The purpose of this letter is to request your assistance with determining whether an "Archaeological and Historical Survey Report" (and/or other evaluation or report) should be prepared for the former Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul, and Pacific Railroad (CMSPR) switching, maintenance, and refueling facility ("Site") located near Avery, Shoshone County, Idaho (refer to enclosed Figures 2-1 and 2-2).

There is little remaining at the Site to indicate its previous use as a railroad facility operated from 1907 to 1977 (refer to enclosed Figure 3). All that is readily observable at ground surface are remnants of rail lines embedded in concrete leading from the former turntable, remnants of the turntable concrete foundation, and a concrete slab (refer to enclosed Photographs 1 and 2).

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, is working with the current property owners to cleanup hazardous substances located at the Site. The final soil cleanup action has not yet been determined; however, the final action will likely result in the removal of the surface features mentioned in the preceding paragraph.



Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions or require additional information, I may be contacted at 208/664-4858.

Sincerely,

Earl Liverman

**On-Scene Coordinator** 

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